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The Zbrojovka Brno Chemical and Armament Factory at Bojkovice (P50/T39) is located on a 1,000 x 800 meter area in hilly, wooded surroundings which afford good camouflage for the buildings. The factory was established by a certain V. Kyser before World War II and during the war it produced makes, hand grenades, antitroop contact mines and detonators. At the end of the war entire factory was still intact with the exception of the underground stores, which were destroyed. In 1946 production on a peacetime basis was begun, and the factory turned out flares and radio and phonograph parts. However, in 1948 a return to the production of wartime goods was effected, and to the aforementioned list of articles the manufacture of picric rings and TNT charges was added. The present production capacity of the factory is estimated as follows:

Article

Quantity

Hand grenades, Skoda 38 (improved type)

10,000 pieces per iay

Jery pistol flares

600 - 1,000 pieces per day

Signal flares

Unknown

Contact mines

About 6,000 - 7,000 pieces

per day

Detonators

Unknown

Pieric rings (sie

Unknown

TNT charges

Unknown

Blasting charges

About 7,500 - 9,000 oval-shape pieces per day, and 6,000

cylindrical pieces per day.

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- 2. Finished products are loaded onto military trucks by soldiers from Bohuslavice (P50/040) under supervision of MNO officers, and are transported to a temporary warehouse in Bohuslavice
- There are about 3,000 employees working in the factory at present. There is no Soviet control over the plant, but a Czechoslovak military contingent of about ten men supervises the war production.
 A partial list of personnel follows:

Josef Bursik, age 45, stout; 170 cm tall; oval face; blond Factory Manager

hair; blue eyes. Communist.

Bohumil Dolezal, age 35; medium build; 168 cm tall; slim; thin, Security Officer

blond hair; blue eyes; wears

glasses; Communist.

Dr. Ing. Stebl Planning Chief

Ing. Igor Jaminsky, about 50, Production Chief

165 cm tall; stout; grey hair;

brown eyes.

Josef Kafka, about 42; medium 0 Workshop Chief

build; 172 cm tall; slim; brown eyes; brown hair; ardent Communist.

Lubomir Böhm, age 30, 173 cm tall; hlond, curly hair; blue eyes. He was formerly a turner in the Head Foreman of the Pressing Room

factory; ardent Communist.

Bucek, age 50, 176 cm tall; brown halr; blue eyes. An ardent Communist since the days of the KSC Chairman

First Republic.

Frantisek Kodet, age 52, 168 cm tall; brown, greying hair; An ardent Communist, he is also chair-Chairman of Workshop Council

man of the factory's ROH.

CSM Chairman (Young

Jan Bucek, son of the KSC Chairman. He is 20 years old, 175 cm tall; slim; brown, curly hair; blue eyes; Communist.

The factory has a very strong and reliable militia consisting of about 150 men, who were chosen from other regions because the local inhabitants were considered unreliable for such work. The militia men are armed with rifles and pistols and at night they carry hand grenades.

The entire factory is to be reorganized into a large armament concern with about 15,000 employees. Some 1,200 men were working on the construction of underground objects in the spring of 1950. The plans include an installation for the manufacture of powder and a plant for the production of light arms.

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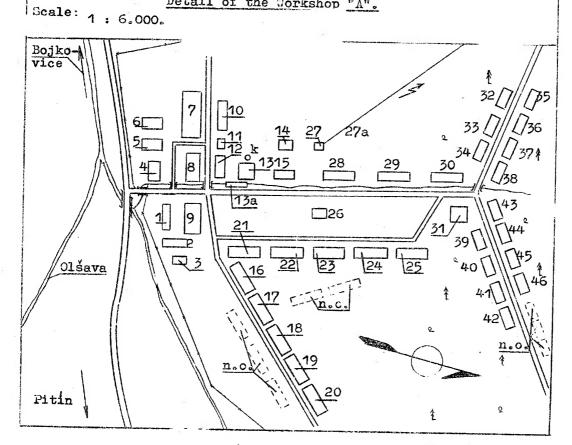
ZBROJOVKA BRNO, Nat. Corp., Workshop BOJKOVICE. Scale: 1: 30.000 Situation Plan. Zbrojovka Bojkovice

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Zbrojovka Station

Detail of the Workshop "A".



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- Key 1) Main guard room, rooms for Workshop Militia and Workshop Secu-
- rity, garages
 2) Dwelling house for clerks, flats for MNO officers
- 3) Garages and repair shop for CSD busses
- 4) Workshop kitchen, dining room for clerks and workmen, store of victuals
- 5-6) Wooden barracks for workmen and Workshop Militia
 - 7) Press room, Toolroom, technical offices Mach. outfit: Press room: about 60 various presses-cap 15-75 t., 6 turret lathes, screw cutting machines etc. Toolroom: 10 lathes, 4 milling mach., 3 planing mach., 2 grinding mach.,2 saws, 5 drilling machines, 1 electro welding set etc.
 - 8) Store of material for pressing room
 - 9) New pressing room about 35 presses and other machines. May serve exclusively for manufacture of lighting fuses
 - 10) Varnishing room, hardening room, electro-plating room
 - 11) Closets
 - 12) Forge, Joinery, electro workshop instal, workshop
 - 13) High pressure boiler house -2 retort boilers, press. 15 atm. k) Chimney of boiler house
- 13a) Water basin for boiler house
- 14) Washing room for workmen, laundry for working suits
- 15) Laboratory, offices for MNO officers and pyrotechnicians Note: This object is guarded by Militia men and STB members
- 16-20) Stores of final products 21-22) Pyrotechnical stores (acids, auxiliary mat.), stores of spare parts etc.
- 23-5) Pressing rooms of TNT for mines and aerial bombs
 - 26) Stores of fire brigade (3 fire engines), garages for ambulance cars.





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- 27) Transformer transforming from 22.000 V to 380 or 220 V.
- 27a) High tension line
 Note: objects are guarded by members of Workshop Militia day and night
- 28-30) Press rooms for picric acid.
 31) Management building
 32-38) Manufacture of lighting fuses of various types, mainly to called "Stalin's Candles 39-42) Manufacture of hand grendles
- (final assembly)
- 43-46) Manufacture of various deto-nators and blasting charges
- n.o.) New objects under construct tion

